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Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Re: Section 63.71 Application of TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc. for Discontinuance of Telecommunications Service (FRN: 0016928624)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed please find, for filing, one original and six (6) copies of the Application of TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc. for authority to discontinue telecommunications services.

Please date stamp the duplicate of this filing and return to our messenger. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



Katherine E. Barker Marshall

Enclosures

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**Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of )  
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Section 63.71 Application of )  
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TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc. )

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**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc. ("TelePlus" or "Company") hereby seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission's") rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its interexchange telecommunications services.

TelePlus provided domestic interexchange telecommunications services in and between points within the contiguous United States. The Company does not currently have any customers, however, its customer base was residential and business customers in Iowa. The proposed discontinuance will not result in material harm to the public because the Company does not currently have any customers. Any can easily obtain alternatives to the Teleplus' interexchange services from other service providers.

TelePlus provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules:

1. Name and Address of Carrier: TelePlus Telecommunications Inc. is headquartered at 4785 240th Ave, Webb, IA 51366.
2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance, Reduction or Impairment: TelePlus plans to discontinue the provision of its interexchange service upon approval of the

Commission. TelePlus understands that this application will be automatically granted on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after public notice of its filing unless the Commission notifies it to the contrary.<sup>1</sup>

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected: TelePlus' proposed discontinuance of its interexchange service will affect customers located in Iowa.

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected: The Company provided long distance interexchange service to customers situated within the State of Iowa.

5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers:  
Not Applicable. TelePlus does not have any customers.

6. Regulatory Classification of Carrier: TelePlus is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

Concurrent with the filing of this Application, copies of this Application are being sent via the U.S. Postal Service to the Iowa Utilities Board, the Governor of Iowa, and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Please direct questions regarding this Application to:

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The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of TelePlus' interexchange service. There are no customers affected by this

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<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c)

discontinuance. Further, there are substitute services readily available for any potential consumers in the affected area. TelePlus, therefore, respectfully requests Commission approval of this Section 63.71 Application.

Respectfully submitted,

TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Katherine Barker Marshall", written over a horizontal line.

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Counsel to TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc.

Dated: February 29, 2012

## VERIFICATION

State of Illinois :  
County of Clay : ss.  
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Dennis Somers, Affiant, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that:

He is the President and Chief Executive Officer of TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc.;

That he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc.;

That the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.



Dennis Somers  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012.



Signature of official administering oath

My commission expires 1/1/13

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Katherine Barker Marshall, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of TelePlus Telecommunications, Inc. was served on this 29<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 2012, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons at the addresses listed below:

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